

## **AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)**

**Applicant(s): Mankovitz**

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**ELECTRONIC TELEVISION PROGRAM GUIDE DELIVERY SYSTEM USING TELEPHONE**

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**TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:**

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27 by a verified statement previously submitted.

A verified statement to establish Small Entity status under 37 FR 1.27 is enclosed.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Amended) A method of providing electronic television program guide information to a user over a telecommunications network including the capability of determining whether the user's connection to the network is in an on-hook or off-hook condition, the method comprising the steps of:  
    storing television program guide information at a provider site on the network;  
    repetitively transmitting the information over the network regardless of whether the user's connection to the network is in an on-hook or off-hook condition;  
    receiving at least a portion of the information at a user site when the user's connection to the network is in an on-hook condition;  
    storing the received information at the user site; and  
    updating the information as it is received.

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